



Indiana Department of Education

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IREAD K-2: Frequently Asked Questions

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Question	Answer
1. Will schools be required to administer the IREAD K-2 assessments?	IREAD-K, IREAD-1, and IREAD-2 were created to help schools monitor student progress and provide appropriate instruction prior to grade three. Schools may choose to use these “no-stakes” assessments, which provide teachers with the feedback necessary to track student progress and to make instructional decisions that will help ensure student success on IREAD-3.
2. When will the IREAD K-2 assessments become available to schools?	The assessments will be available for use in Spring 2015.
3. Which schools may use the IREAD K-2 assessments?	IREAD K-2 may be used by schools that have students in grades K, 1, and/or 2.
4. Do schools sign up or register to take the IREAD K-2 assessments?	There is no need to sign-up for these assessments, which are available in DOE Online (https://dc.doe.state.in.us/DOEOnline/login.aspx), a secure web site accessed by Corporation Test Coordinators (CTCs).
5. Will any costs to schools be associated with the IREAD K-2 assessments?	Costs will likely include those associated with printing and scoring the assessments at the local level.
6. How can the IREAD K-2 assessments be accessed?	IREAD-K, IREAD-1, and IREAD-2 assessments are available via DOE Online from which CTCs may download the assessments for distribution at the local level. Once CTCs have downloaded the IREAD K-2 <i>Teacher Administration Guide</i> and the <i>Student Response Book</i> from DOE Online, they should distribute copies of these materials to other staff in their corporation, as appropriate.
7. Should the teacher administer the assessments to each student?	This is a local decision. Teachers may choose to administer assessments to all students or to only a select group of students.

<p>8. How long does it take the teacher to administer the assessments to one student?</p>	<p>The group of assessments that would be administered at a given grade level should take the teacher about 10-20 minutes per student, depending on the needs of the student. The assessments have a built- in level of flexibility that teachers may use based on how a student performs on the assessment for a given grade level.</p>
<p>9. How are the assessments administered to students?</p>	<p>Most of the assessments are administered to students in a one-on-one setting. Aside from one or two assessments in first and second grade— such as the spelling test – students do not pick up a pencil (they respond verbally to most assessments), and the answer sheets are designed for students’ responses to be quickly and easily recorded by the teacher. The assessments would be scored locally.</p>
<p>10. How often are the IREAD K-2 assessments administered?</p>	<p>As IREAD K-2 assessments are comprehensive in nature, they are designed to be administered once during the last 4-5 weeks of the school year in each participating school corporation.</p>
<p>11. What additional IREAD K-2 resources are available?</p>	<p><i>IREAD-K, IREAD-1, and IREAD-2 Item Samplers</i> Coming Soon!</p> <p><i>IREAD K-2 Literacy Tool Kit</i> Coming Soon!</p>
<p>12. Whom should I contact if I have questions about the IREAD K-2 assessments?</p>	<p>John Wolf (jwolf@doe.in.gov), IDOE Literacy Specialist, can assist you with questions related to the content and administration of the IREAD K-2 assessments.</p> <p><i>Please <u>contact your CTC</u> with any questions about accessing these assessments from the secure online site; CTCs should contact the DOE Online Help Desk (idoehelpdesk@doe.in.gov) for technical assistance.</i></p>